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John Ryan Aurora Oil & Gas Corp. 4110 Copper Ridge Dr. STE 100 Traverse City, MI 49684

Subject: Approval of Reclamation Bond and Reclamation Contract, Aurora Oil &

Gas Corp., Vipont Mine, M0030035, Box Elder County, Utah

Dear Mr. Ryan:

On December 22, 2006, the Director of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining signed the reclamation contract for the Vipont Project Notice of Intention to Conduct Small Mining Operations, file number S/003/035. You now have Division approval of the form and amount of surety for the above referenced site. A copy of the executed reclamation contract/surety is enclosed for your records.

If you have questions or concerns regarding this letter, please contact me at (801) 538-5325 or Lynn Kunzler at 538-5310. Thank you for your help in completing this very important regulatory requirement.

Sincerely,

Daron R. Haddock Permit Supervisor

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Enclosure: Copy of RC/surety

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